



City of Longview Agenda Summary Sheet

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SUBJECT TITLE:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 13.01.120 OF THE LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PARK USE REGULATIONS TO INCLUDE A SECTION MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO ALLOW DOGS TO RUN LOOSE

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

It is requested to amend a section to LMC 13.01.120 specifically addressing dogs running loose. Citizens have expressed their concern, noting it is a serious concern. The suggested section is as follows:

13.01.120 Dogs and other animals deemed nuisance.

The director may ban dogs and other animals from areas of any park where it is determined the same may be a nuisance. The following dogs or other animals, in addition to those designated in LMC 13.01.150, are declared to be a nuisance:

- (1) Any dog or other animal which chases or habitually or frequently runs after, snaps at or jumps at or upon any person, or runs after and chases any animals or fowl;
- (2) Any dog or other animal which by frequent or habitual howling, yelping or barking annoys or disturbs a neighborhood or the quiet and repose of several persons;
- (3) Any dog or other animal continually or habitually at large;
- (4) Any dangerous or potentially dangerous dog as defined in Chapter 6.06 LMC;
- (5) Any dog or other animal which destroys, defaces or disturbs public or private property or landscaping;
- (6) Any ~~female~~ dog or other animal which is not on a leash held by the owner or keeper ~~during its mating period~~ **not more than 15-feet in length by which the animal is physically controlled. This provision shall not apply to the Gerhart Gardens off-leash dog park.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion to approve the amendments of the LMC as noted in #6 above relating to dogs running loose in city parks, other than the Gerhart Gardens dog park.

COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Address quality of place issues.